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SMA Order No. 132: Measures to Improve Fuel Stocks in Second Half of 1947

1. In order to create normal working conditions for industrial, transportation, and electrical undertakings during the winter of 1947/48, and to satisfy domestic fuel needs, the following accumulation of local fuel stocks is ordered:

a. Mecklenburg. The accumulation of:

300,000 tons of peat  
 25,000 " " brown coal  
 45,000 " " wood briquettes  
 850,000 cubic meters of wood (in addition to planned requirements)

is to be started and will be completed by the end of 1947. The utilization of waste in the woodworking industry (sawdust, etc.) is to be organized for industrial and domestic use.

b. Brandenburg.

300,000 tons of brown coal (from small pits and exhausted open workings)  
 30,000 tons of peat  
 800,000 cubic meters of wood. (All three items in amounts over and above previously-planned quotas.) Also, 100,000 tons of peat are to be dug during 1948 and all waste from woodworking industries is to be utilized.

c. Saxony-Anhalt.

500,000 tons of brown coal (from exhausted open workings and pits, plus small pits)  
 50,000 tons of briquettes to be made from the above.  
~~360,000~~ cubic meters of wood (in addition to planned quotas).

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100,000 tons of brown coal from pits of local importance  
250,000 tons of briquettes (50,000 from local pits,  
200,000 from central allocations)  
500,000 cubic meters of wood

e. Thuringia.

15,000 tons of hard coal  
25,000 tons of brown coal  
350,000 cubic meters of wood (additional)  
25,000 tons of peat.

2. A fuel reserve for the winter months is to be created by 1 July 1947. This is to be done by storing on the spot 10% of the quantity of fuel of all kinds received and by saving 10% by economy measures, so that by 15 November 1947 the following reserve of hard coal and brown coal briquettes will be available:

100,000 tons - Saxony-Anhalt  
80,000 " - Brandenburg  
150,000 " - Land Saxony  
110,000 " - Thuringia  
30,000 " - Mecklenburg  
90,000 " - Russian Sector of Berlin

In addition, the President of the Central Transport Administration must insure a fuel reserve of 600,000 tons by 15 November 1947 by diverting 10% of the results of the total fuel allocation and economy measures designed for this purpose. The reserve thus obtained can only be touched upon approval by the SIA. Wood-burning concerns must inform the SIA's provincial authorities of the amount of wood fuel needed for winter stocks, and obtain their approval.

3. The provincial Minister-Presidents, the Presidents of the Central Administrations for Industry, Fuel, Power, and Transport will direct managers to work out technical measures to insure fuel economy and rational use of fuel so that 10% of the fuel received as of June 1947 can be saved. The President of the Central Administration for Fuel and Power will organize an inspection staff of twenty highly-qualified officers to supervise the carrying out of these economy measures.

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